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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## PUBLIC COMMENT SOUGHT FOR PROPOSED RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURES

The Navajo Nation Supreme Court has received a petition to amend parts of the Navajo Rules of Criminal Procedures. The Supreme Court has the authority to adopt, and thereby amend, rules of pleading, practice and procedure applicable to all proceedings in courts of the Navajo Nation.

The Navajo Nation Code, at 7 N.N.C. § 601, requires consultation and public comment to adopt rules of procedure. The petition and the proposed rules can be found on the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch website at http://www.navajocourts.org.

Public comment and consultation on the proposed Rules are being accepted from January 24, 2018 through February 23, 2018, at 5 p.m. Please direct all input to Karen Francis, Government Relations Officer, at <a href="mailto:karenfrancis@navajo-nsn.gov">karenfrancis@navajo-nsn.gov</a> by that date.

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